



# BINDINGS



## September Meeting Activities

September 7, 2019, 9:30am

Livonia Civic Park Senior Center  
15218 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI

### Quilt Show:

- Last Day to Turn in Ticket Money
- Sign up for Volunteers
- Check In Forms & Drop Off Times

### Trunk Show by Fiber Artist Mary Bajcz

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*The GLAAQN logo is the Pempamsie, an African Adrinkra symbol meaning to sew in readiness, being prepared. It symbolizes readiness, steadfastness, hardiness, and fearlessness.*

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## Trunk Show By Fiber Artist Mary Bajcz

We will welcome fiber artist Mary Bajcz of Milford, MI to our September meeting to share her unique style and approaches.

This how Mary describes her style:

“Free cut piecing popped into my life in 2000 and it’s how I’ve made quilts ever since. I stack up fabrics, cut shapes into the stack, rearrange the pieces within the stack and sew them back together. I’ve pieced birds, flowers, peace signs, licorice all sorts, landscapes, and all kinds of traditional blocks using this method.

I wondered why I loved this way of working so much and decided it was the serendipity involved. I don’t quite know where things are going when I work and that keeps me interested and entertained every step of the way. I’ve been studying the subject of serendipity for the past 19 years and love to talk about it and the way it can bless our quilting and lives.”

You can see some of her work at [www.scrap-happy.biz](http://www.scrap-happy.biz) or Mary Bajcz Scrap Happy on Facebook. Mary is bringing a wonderful line of work. You can go to the web-site to view some of her work.

**Kaye Whittington – Vice President Education**

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## President's Perspective

Wanda Nash

### **2018 – 2019 Officers:**

*President – Wanda Nash  
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Carolyn Bunkley, Karla Middlebrooks, Patricia Millender  
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### **Past Presidents:**

*Sharon Ray  
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Justine Burnell*

### **Membership Policy:**

*Member dues are \$30, payable in May. Dues for members joining in Nov or later are \$20. Each member in good standing is allowed one guest per fiscal year. Meeting cost is \$10 for non-members. Member wide mailing requests and newsletter content should be sent to [glaaqn.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:glaaqn.newsletter@gmail.com) We will respond to all inquiries on a timely basis.*

August and September are very busy months for members of Great Lakes. We volunteered down at the Charles Wright Museum during the African World Festival. Carolyn Bunkley led a group of volunteers who did make and takes with the participants and they put together a quilt exhibit inside the museum. Classes were taught in one of the classrooms at the museum and it was a great time for all. Many thanks go to Carolyn and her volunteers for putting these activities together for the participants at the festival. Carolyn spent several late nights at the museum making sure everything went well and I want to personally thank her for her efforts in the name of Great Lakes.

Two weeks after the African Festival, we will be volunteering at the Michigan State Fair. Kaye Whittington has put together a group of volunteers to man our booth and talk to Fair visitors about quilts and quilting. We will again have an exhibit of veterans quilts as well as some of our members' quilts. We will also be showcasing some of the other quilts we have made for charity and we will again provide a make and take for the children. We will also be handing out quilt show information as well information about our group.

The end of September brings our Quilt Show. Our Quilt Show chairs Karla Middlebrooks, Carolyn Bunkley and Pat Millender have been hard at work in order to make sure we have a great show. In order to have a great show, we need to have lots of volunteers. If you have not already signed up to volunteer at the show, please do so now. This is the biggest event that Great Lakes puts on and we need all hands on deck. I am sure there is a volunteer activity for all of us. We already have a group of volunteers signed up and we want you to make sure your name is on this list.

In September, we will be presenting information about our end of the year celebration. November is the end of our Quilting year and we have some dynamic items in store for you. We will end this year with some new and different quilting activities. We think you will be very excited about our November meeting.

### **Membership Renewal Reminder**

There are still quite a few members that have not renewed their membership. Remember, we need your support in order to keep our Network strong and relevant in the community. **Please renew your membership by the September meeting. Remember you must be a member in good standing to display your quilts in the quilt show.** If you are not sure if you need to renew, please email me ([msquilt@att.net](mailto:msquilt@att.net)) or Verona Williams ([roni23531@gmail.com](mailto:roni23531@gmail.com)) and we will let you know if you need to renew. You can also check at the meeting in order to see if you need to renew your membership. Thank you, Wanda Nash

## 2019 Quilt Show Key Dates

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Show Activity or Related Event</b>
<b>August 31</b>	<b>Silent Auction Quilt Entry Forms &amp; Quilts Due to Pat Neal</b>
<b>September 7</b>	<b>GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING</b> (Livonia Senior Center) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last Day To Turn in Ticket Money and/or unsold tickets</li> <li>• Fill in the Quilt Check In Form and Receive Your Assigned Drop Off Time</li> <li>• Finalize member work shifts</li> <li>• Quilt Show Committee meeting following membership meeting</li> </ul>
<b>September 27</b>	<b>GENERAL, CHALLENGE &amp; CHARITY QUILT DROP OFF &amp; QUILT SHOW SETUP</b> St. Johns Armenian Center 22001 Northwestern Hwy Southfield, MI <b>Quilt Drop Off: Please come at your assigned time and plan to stay at 30 - 40 minutes to assist with ensuring it is hung properly.</b> Quilt Show Set Up 9:00 – 4:00pm
<b>September 28</b>	<b>QUILT SHOW – ALL QUILTS HAVE A STORY</b>
<b>September 29</b>	St. Johns Armenian Center 22001 Northwestern Hwy Southfield, MI Saturday 9:00am – 5:00pm Sunday 12:00pm – 5:00pm Sunday 5:30pm (Quilt Pick Up. Claim receipt required)

### Quilt Show Updates

**GLAAQN INSURANCE:** We now have insurance that will cover the Show. Please note that GLAAQN's maximum liability is set at \$300. The check in form that members will complete and sign when quilts are dropped off will include an acknowledgement of the liability as stated and the opportunity to identify the value of your quilt.

**QUILT CHECK IN (IMPORTANT):** If you have a quilt in the show, **please make sure that you pick up, complete and sign the form that will be available at the Sept. 7 meeting.** You will receive your assigned drop off time that will be based on the location of your quilt at the September meeting. Plan to stay 30-45 minutes to assist with hanging your quilt. **If you are not able to attend the meeting, you have to contact Pat Millender BEFORE September 7 via email at [plmillender@gmail.com](mailto:plmillender@gmail.com) or 313-418-9757.** Thank you for helping to make our show a success.

**TICKET SALES:** September 7 is the last day to turn in ticket monies or unsold tickets. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Jackie Ollison ([ollisonjLsL23@aol.com](mailto:ollisonjLsL23@aol.com) or 313-892-0426) to arrange to turn in your money or tickets **before** the Sept 7 meeting. **DO NOT BRING TICKETS OR MONEY TO THE SEPT. 27 SET UP DAY.**

**VOLUNTEER SIGN UPS:**

We still need more volunteers on all days and especially on Friday, Sept 27 Set Up Day. Please see Karla Middlebrooks at the meeting to sign up for your shift. Members with quilts in the show are required to work a minimum of 4 hours during the show.

## PROCEDURES FOR CLASSES AND TEACHERS

The Executive Board recently met to discuss policies and procedures regarding classes to be presented by internal (member) or external (professional) teachers. The following procedures were approved.

Linda Ali will periodically (2 times a year) teach a class to create our official GLAAQN Sash, Great Lakes will pay her a \$125.00 teaching fee and she will charge the students \$10.00 each Payable to her for her time. An additional fee will be paid to Linda for the cost of the GLAAQN patch.

Members teaching special classes in February, April, June, August or October will set their own prices for members who want to attend. GLAAQN will advertise these classes and provide a room where the classes will be held. The teacher is to collect all fees and will have to pay for the room out of their class fees. Keep in mind that a full day at the Center costs \$100.00. Room payment will be made to the GLAAQN Treasurer and the Treasurer will pass the fee on to The Livonia Senior Center. All classes must be discussed and approved with the GLAAQN Vice President.

Network Classes which are taught during our regular meeting month (January, March, May July, September, November), teachers (members) will receive \$125.00 to be paid by the Network.. These classes will only run about 2 hours (unless otherwise approved by the Board) because we have to be out of the center by 1:00pm. Any class supply or kit fees will be paid by the attendees to the teacher.

All outside teachers or professional (non-member) teachers must be approved by the Board before any contracts are signed. Payments will be set by the teacher and the Board will negotiate directly with the teacher. Members are responsible for any kit fees directly payable to the teacher.

## CALL FOR QUILTS – Dearborn 1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church

Kirstin Karoub, the Quilt Procurement Chairperson for the **32nd Festival of Quilts taking place October 11-12, 2019 at Dearborn First United Methodist Church** is inviting GLAAQN your to participate in the show by submitting quilts and/or quilted items for display. Many of our members have participated in the past. If we choose to participate as a Network, GLAAQN items will be displayed together, and provide signage and space for our organization to distribute information about GLAAQN's activities, events, and/or fundraisers. Any kind of quilted item - clothing, purses, toys, home decor, as well as quilts of all sizes can be entered. The event typically features 200+ quilts and quilted items on display, as well as a salad luncheon and crafters' market with artists selling their hand-made items. **If you are interested in helping to coordinate a group submission, please let us know. If you are interested in participating individually, please contact Kristin and fill out the requested forms attached to the Newsletter.** You will find more information in the attached documents.

All proceeds go to local and global charities. You can also check out their facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/dearbornfestivalofquilts/> or find information on their website here: <http://www.dearbornfirstumc.org/quilt-show.html> Please feel free to contact Kristin with any questions at 810-287-9267. According to Kristin, spread the word - we look forward to a wonderful show promoting the talent, creativity, and history that abounds, thanks to the art of quilting! They would love to be able to display GLAAQN's work, as well!

## Regional Quilt Groups

**AA Quilt & Doll Guild;** Warrensville, OH; 216-464-1367; <https://www.facebook.com/pages/African-American-Quilt-and-Dollmakers-Guild/262311637174807>

**Community Quilters;** Fellowship Chapel Church, Detroit, MI; 313-347-2820

**Flint African American Quilters Guild;** Flint, MI; 810-239-8325

**Flint Brown Sugar Stitches Quilting Guild;** Flint, MI; Deidre Matson, 810-785-6909

**General Henry Dearborn Quilting Society;** Dearborn, MI; [macretired@sbcglobal.net](mailto:macretired@sbcglobal.net)

**Great Lakes Heritage Quilters;** Bloomfield Hills, MI; [info@glhq.org](mailto:info@glhq.org)

**Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Guild;** Ann Arbor, MI; <http://www.gaaqg.com/>

**Lansing Sisters in Stitches;** Lansing, MI; Wilma Rhodes, [wqltr64@gmail.com](mailto:wqltr64@gmail.com)

**Lomax Quilting Ministry;** Lomax Temple AME Zion Episcopal Church; 17441 Dequindre Detroit, MI 48212; Estella Armstrong President;

**Lottie Elmira Quilters;** Detroit, MI; <https://www.facebook.com/LEQLLC>

**Needles & Threads Quilters Guild Chicago;** <http://www.ntqgchicago.net/>

**Peace Baptist Church Quilters;** Detroit, MI; D. Wimberley, 313-893-1997

**Piecemakers Quilt Guild;** Saginaw, MI; <http://www.piecemakersquiltguild.com/>

**The Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit;** Harper Woods, MI; <http://www.qgmd.org/>

**Sew What Art Quilters;** Chicago, IL; Trish Williams, [handyworksbytrish@yahoo.com](mailto:handyworksbytrish@yahoo.com)

**Sew Our Unique Love Stitches;** Battle Creek, MI; Barbara Mason, [bmason4689@aol.com](mailto:bmason4689@aol.com), 269-979-8342

**Sisters of the Cloth;** Ft. Wayne, IN; [www.sistersofthecloth.org](http://www.sistersofthecloth.org)

**Wed Night Quilting Sisters Ministry;** Hartford Baptist Church, Detroit, MI; 313-861-1600

**We Sew Love Quilting Ministry;** New Prospect Baptist Church, Detroit, MI; Julie Rambo, 248-910-8424

**Western Wayne County Quilting Guild;** Belleville, MI, <http://wwcqq.org/>

## 2019 GLAAQN CALENDAR

September 7	Membership Mtg Trunk Show: Fiber Artist Mary Bacjz of Milford MI.
November 9	Membership Mtg Holiday activity TBD

Business Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays,  
Odd Months

Meeting Times:

Room Setup – 8:30am

Business Meeting – 9:30am

The Runway (aka Show & Tell)

Workshops (Per Schedule)

Workshops:

Set up 8:45am

Start Time – 9:00am (prompt)

Meeting Location:

Livonia Civic Park Senior Center

15218 Farmington Rd.

Livonia, MI

<http://ci.livonia.mi.us>

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<http://www.glaaqn.com>

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/greatlakesaaqn>

Send your newsletter email and address

changes to: [glaaqn.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:glaaqn.newsletter@gmail.com)



### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Please complete the information below to renew. Dues: 1-year **\$30.00**; 3-year **\$81.00**; 5-year **\$118.50**.  
You can bring renewal form and payment to any business meeting or mail to our PO Box listed below.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Full Payment

**I want to:**  Renew Current  Renew Lapsed Membership  Join

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phones: Home [    ] \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate [    ] \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this form and attach a check or money order payable to: **Great Lakes African American GREAT LAKES AFRICAN AMERICAN QUILTERS' NETWORK (GLAAQN)**  
Attn.: MEMBERSHIP  
P. O. Box 51583 Livonia, Michigan 48151-5158

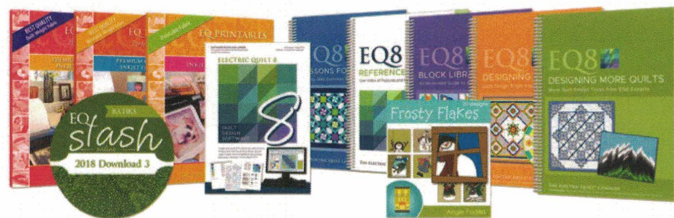
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##### PAYMENT & RECORDS

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ Money Order No. \_\_\_\_\_ Cash in Person \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates Processed:** Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ Mem. Packet \_\_\_\_\_  
 New Member  1-Yr  3-Yr  5-Yr      Membership Expiration \_\_\_\_\_

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